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TOPIC Soviet AAA Units at Apetlon

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EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

25X1C DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 28 June 1951

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REMARKS [REDACTED]

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SOURCE [REDACTED]

- 25X1C 1. On 21 April 1951, [REDACTED] occupied by 3 officers and 2 enlisted men wearing red-bordered black epaulets, was seen en route from Camp Apetlon (P 48/X 74) to the Pamhagen (P 48/X 84) railroad station. The officers departed by rail toward Neusiedl (P 48/X 76). *
- 25X1C 2. At about 7:30 p.m. on 4 May, a train of 52 cars carrying about 230 troops, 28 trucks, and 20 AA guns of about 35 mm arrived in Wallern (P 48/X 84). All troops wore red-bordered black epaulets. A lieutenant colonel was the ranking officer. [REDACTED]
- 25X1C 3. A second train of 50 cars arrived in Wallern shortly before midnight of the same day. It carried about 220 troops, 24 trucks, 16 AA guns of about 35 mm, 17 light AA guns of about 20 mm, and 2 carloads of disassembled barracks sections. The guns of about 20 mm were equipped with tripod mounts and had on both sides a gunsight and a large handwheel with wooden handle. Several majors were among the officers observed with the troops. [REDACTED]
- 25X1C 4. At 2 p.m. on 12 May, a train of 32 cars arrived in Wallern, carrying 80 to 100 troops, 8 trucks, 6 AA guns of about 35 mm, and 11 carloads of disassembled barracks sections. Six of the [REDACTED]
- 25X1C 5. All trains came from the north. The troops immediately bivouacked in tents and started assembling the barracks. Artillery pieces and trucks were lined up in two rows along the road leading past the old Camp Apetlon. *** [REDACTED]

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Comment.

of the Second Gds Mecz Army in the Soviet Zone of Germany. Since it is doubted that elements of this division should have moved to Austria for exercises at the beginning of May 1951, the [redacted] may have been confused with the [redacted] of which only one vehicle has been observed in Urfahr [redacted] since the 23d AAA Div has been allotted the [redacted] and the [redacted] sequences for about 260 vehicles, it is improbable that the division should be assigned still another 100-number series. It is also improbable that the two AAA components of the 13th Gds Mecz Div and the 95th Gds Mtz Rifle Div should have been allotted numbers out of a series, of which not a single number has so far been observed. There is still another possibility that the [redacted] series mentioned in the present report may have been confused with the B [redacted] sequence probably belongs to the 95th Gds Mtz Rifle Div, but has never been observed in conjunction with AA guns, while the [redacted] sequence belongs to the 23d AAA Div. However, since numbers between [redacted] were observed on 4 May as well as on 12 May, the possibility [redacted] having incorrectly identified the numbers should be out of question. Clarification of this issue will therefore be possible only upon receipt of further information from this area.

Field Comment. Elements of the 23d AAA Div were at the Apetlon AAA range for several days aiming practice as early as the beginning of March 1951. See [redacted]

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